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Please find below a communication from the EXAMINER in charge of this application.

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1. The communications filed 5-8-00 and 6-5-00 are considered non-responsive to the Office action dated 4-21-00 because applicant has not specifically responded to every ground of rejection in the prior Office action, in accordance with 37 CFR 1.111. The substitute specification filed 6-5-00 has not been entered because it does not conform to 37 CFR 1.125(b) since: 1) the statement as to a lack of new matter under 37 CFR 1.125(b) is missing; and 2) a marked-up copy of the substitute specification has not been supplied (in addition to the clean copy). The numbering of claims is not in accordance with 37 CFR 1.126 which requires the original numbering of the claims to be preserved throughout the prosecution. When claims are canceled, the remaining claims must not be renumbered. When new claims are presented, they must be numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered claims previously presented (whether entered or not). Newly presented claims 1-10 should be renumbered as claims 15-24. A copy of the above Patent Rules is attached to this letter.

Since the response appears to be *bona fide*, but through an apparent oversight or inadvertence failed to provide a complete response, applicant is required to complete the response within a time limit of one month from the date of this letter to avoid abandonment of this application.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Peter A. Hruskoci whose telephone number is (703) 308-3839. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday from 6:30 AM to 4:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Mr. David Simmons, can be reached on (703) 308-1972. The fax phone number for this Group is (703) 305-7718.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0651.


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